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Synopsis

At an executive meeting of the Board held at Raleigh it was agreed upon and ordered to publish only a synopsis of the proceedings of the 1928 Session of the State Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

A Brief as Follows:

1. The President's Annual Address.
2. The Corresponding Secretary's report.
3. The Treasurer's report.
4. Officers elected at Goldsboro.
5. Auditor's report.
6. Secondary Schools and place of next meeting.

President's Address

To the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Fellow Workers.
Dear Brethren, Greetings:

As I come before you to-day in the Chapel of this historical Institution, located here in the Capital of our dear Old State of N. C. in this All-Baptist Celebration by the invitation of the churches of this city. After having been separated for the past nine months in our respective fields of labor.

I cannot say as I have in previous years, that twelve months have past since we met together last; but I can say that nine months of busy labor have passed over us, God has kept us alive to meet each other here in this an extraordinary celebration, for we are here to begin a peculiar record for 60 years of organized work in N. C. as Baptists. I greatly rejoice in the privilege to appear before you today to deliver unto you my Annual Address.

Permit me to thank you from the depths of my heart for the honor you have conferred upon me by making me your honored President. Never before have I felt the responsibility more keenly than this present year, because of the large responsibility, yet it is with great joy that I come before you today with expressions of success in our work because we have not striven alone but with Divine and human co-operation.

Let us notice a moment the exceeding skill, almost amounting to cunning perception of the case—the skill with which the Apostle Paul brings out the kind of work to be done by us, in his words as Christian workers in this world. "Ye are God's husbandry"—God's farm, farm-making, farm-working. "Ye are God's building"—an edifice erected, constructed—not an outgrowth, here an erection, here a construction, here something done by an outside power—God's building, a house in which God shall be at home, a house built around the the idea of God's presence, character in which we are to live with God, which shall have all the sacredness of the inner sanctuary, and all the familiarity of the home or state. "Ye are God's building."

This law of human and Divine action co-labor, laboring together, is a universal law. You cannot touch humanity any where but you strike this truth. It makes up the warp and woof of nature, of our lives, of society, it is everywhere divine power and human agency—it is a combination of these forces. One fact indicating that is this: Either element when left to itself fails. Men have blundered concerning this subject, as concerning all other subjects, and when they have left out the divine element in their calculations they have failed.

Mere humanitarian systems that did not or ought not to pretend to be religious, but only systems of philosophy, built not upon divine Christ but upon the human Jesus, have demonstrated that, leaving out the supernatural power, they have failed to accomplish the supernatural work. They move among men doing a kind of human work, but they do not move among men doing the divine work.

See how God works in things. It is one vast plan spread out before us in such a way that we may, by chance, avail ourselves of the energies of nature to do our work, to carry our burdens. And the churches which undertake to let the Lord do all their work are the churches whose work will never, no never be done. The divine element in itself fails in the work. It seems to me conclusive then, that

as the elements when separated fail, there is in the purpose of God concerning it this anticipate and necessary union.

God turns the great wheels always one way; so that we may see them and catch the secret, find how they move, and throw about them the belts of our creative and inventive thought and thus claiming our possible co-partnership, cause things to come to pass. He gives us bodies, possible strength, time, opportunities, brain but these, in themselves, are not enough. Civilization means more than these. It means very much labor in the shop, very much weariness in the study very much anguish in the closet, and very much patience on goring after the seers and the prophets. As well as many plans, toil, criti icism and sacrifice on goring after the $60,000 in this our 60th anniversary. God gives soil, sunlight, moisture, nourisnment, germs, but these are not enough, left to themselves, they produce thistles and noxious weeds. There is required also your thought and nerve and plan and skill, and then you and God can produce a loaf of bread.

All our blessings come to us through human instrumentality. We have some elements, we have air and time and life, a few things directly, or apparently directly; and yet when you come back to them you find that we are, after all, related to them through some human instrumentality. How crude they are as they come from the Almighty, hardly worth having. Indeed it is not possible for us us to have them without human instrumentality. Life itself is such a little, helpless thing: yet little as it is, it comes to us only by the tenderness of maternal love. We receive it through maternal agencies. And what a long journey it is from the helplessness of that little babe, only a lump of possibility on the lap of its mother, to the stalwart man. It is a long way and much drilling and wearing along the way to realize the power. Look at these terms a little. "Ye are God's husbandry" and the work there indicated shows a little something of what we are to do, and how much you need this divine help in the case. The old nature is to be grubbed out by a kind of clearing up process. The old forest that occupies the soil and shuts out the light and prevents the good seed from getting root and nourishment, is to be taken down and transformed through divine agencies into a protection and defense for the heavenly crop; and this is no small work. This means earnest endeavor. Try it. Put yourself at the work. Stand against the flood. Run against the tempest. See how weak and helpless you are without the divine power. And yet this work is to be done by you, and through you, God helping.

The problem of a religious life is made up of many equations and as many factors. Your religious character is many-sided. The Gospel comes to you many sided. Here seen from this standpoint, it is all divine; and seen from another, it is all human. Here it is all devotion, there it is all activity. Here it has the breath and billow of emotion; there it glistens in the cold serenity of the intellection. Now we see it with the grip holding the convictions of the intellect; then it comes in among the institutions, warming by the breath of inspiration. Now it stands erect, holding the reins of eternal obligation; next it settles upon the soul with dew like peace of heaven, with the impleadings of divine mercy, and thus wins us to God.

It is many-sided. It is: Work out your faith from your fingers' ends. It is one perfect system. There is another thing that is true. If this fact of co-operation is true then Christ's kingdom goes forward or is retarded, according as we are active or negligent.

OUR AGENCIES

I beg to call your attention now to our extraordinary meeting here at this time in our Capital city. I wish to thank you for the adoption of my recommendation made to you in our annual meeting at Weldon, N. C., 1926, and the same at Fayetteville 1927, for a Financial Secretary.

Now this Financial Secretary was elected by the convention in session at Fayetteville, N. C., in the person of one of our ex-presidents and a former chairman of our Board of Promotion. At that time and now the active pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city, Dr. O. S. Bullock, who at once began with plans for an All-Baptist Celebration, setting as our financial goal $60,000.00 to be raised by the last of July or the first of August of this present year. Then at a meeting of the official staff of each of our State bodies plans were presented to us by our Financial Secretary, and a campaign committee of nine was named as follows: Drs. S. L. McDowell, A. W. Pegues, C. S. Brown, J. B. Davis, E. E. Smith, W. H. Moore, J. T. Hairston, Miss M. A. Burwell and your humble servant. Then we began work in our joint meeting with the officers of all our State bodies and named our Financial Secretary-Director General, Dr. O. S. Bullock. We elected to assist him twenty-two assistant directors in various parts of the State that all parts of the State may be easily touched and that a point of interest may be easily made.

Then with the busy hours and days of our Director-General and the assistant of the Campaign Committee Itinery program was made in the first part of the year for the entire State. By the help of Almighty God we have striven to do our best officially for the nine months past. The report from our Director-General, Dr. O. S. Bullock, will tell you just how well we have moved along financially. Amidst storms of criticism God's hand has been in our work.

Dr. J. H. Moore, our Intellectual Secretary, also has been busy on the job with us in our State work, and we should congratulate ourselves for having to our assistance Dr. Moore to give us all the information that is necessary for our success in our Great All-Baptist Celebration. It was my happy privilege to attend nine of our gronp meetings and spoke fourteen times in interest of our All-Baptist Celebration. At each place we visited we received very warm welcomes by the local pastors and church members. Among the places visited were Hamlet, Laurinburg, Lumberton, Fayetteville, Elizabeth City, Edenton, Winton, Enfield, Scotland Neck, while other members of our campaign committee were lecturing in Winston-Salem, Durham, Smithfield, Greonsboro, Charlotte, Sanford and other places of interest. And many local churches were visited and lectures were given in interest of our State drive. May I take this method to thank and congratulate those who assisted our Director-General in launching this Great Program for God and the Church in our State.

Now our sincere thanks should be given to Dr. O. S. Bullock for his plans and untiring efforts to raise the $60,000 00 set as our goal for the 60 years of organized work as Baptists in the State of N. C. Notwithstanding his obligation as well as his duty to his church as Pastor, he has played the part of a man in our Anniversary. Then our Cor. Secretary, Dr. C. S. Brown, has answered every call during the year to make this meeting a decided success, with other pastors too numerous to call. Thanks to all of you who have labored with us during this Conventional year.

SHAW UNIVERSITY

We are here today in the institution of our pride. Beyond controversy this is one of the leading institutions on the American Continent, and we should congratulate ourselves that we are permitted to hold our session in this chapel, and when we look around at these ten brick buildings situated upon a campus of a quarter of a hundred acres of land in the progressive capital city of our State, we pause and say, What has God wrought in these 60 years! Then with only three Presidents in the history of the institution, and the third one among us today to give us his usual smile of welcome as we sit here in our 62nd Annual communication. I need not say to you that those who pass through this institution and go out into the world know no failure; success is theirs for that you all will admit. For the influence of this institution is felt over the entire American Continent, parts of Africa and the isles of the sea.

We thank you for your manifest loyalty in a financial way that many of you have given thus far in our year's effort to help us keep our obligation with just a little more loyalty to our Director-General and our other Cor. Secretary, at least fifty per cent of the $100,000.00, of which we asked as an endowment for this institution some time ago and was adopted by this convention, would have been raised. We could not cease to speak of this institution without a brief reference to the Theological department with its head, Dr. A. W. Pegues who has been a Moses to the ministers of the State of N. C. as well as of other states, and is still among us as a Baptist leader and anxious to see the work in our State succeed.

Our prayer is that with this historical beginning we shall see this institution and especially the Theological department in the front rank. Let us pray, pay and act our part as Baptists in this our great State.

OUR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

We note with pride a few Secondary schools at the following named places, viz: Thompson Institute (accredited), Lumberton, N. C.; Burgaw High School (accredited), Burgaw, N. C.; Rich Square Academy (accredited), Rich Square, N. C.; Pee Dee Institute, Hamlet, N. C.. Roanoke Institute, Elizabeth City, N. C.; Western Union Academy, Spindale, N. C.; Faison Normal and Industrial Institute, Faison, N. C.; Higgs-Roanoke Seminary, Parmele, N. C.; and Shiloh Institute, Norlina, N. C.

The head of each of these institutions is a product of Shaw Univ. And they are looked upon as feeders to Shaw and the Baptists of the State, and especially of their respective communities should give their entire support in the perpetuation of the above named institutions. May I beg you as pastors, since you are the recognized leaders in your respective communities, that we may return to our homes with new zeal and resolution to see to it that our schools succeed.

Now with better understanding and more thorough co-operation we can. Why not? Can you give God or man a reason? Principals and presidents as well as trustees of institutions should be thrown into closer contact, and pastors in the communities should get a better grip upon the people of the communities.

OUR CONVENTIONS

Now brethren, since each of our bodies are here in session at this time and possibly each president is speaking to his respective organization. I shall not as in previous years detain you with a multitude of words about our various organizations, but lest you forget, I shall in a brief way call your attention as pastors and laymen who may be present this morning to our various organizations, since we regard them as auxiliaries to our church.

Flrst, our Sunday schools in our churches should receive our special attention as well as our County and District Sunday School Conventions: they should be visited by our pastors and urged to represent in our State Sunday School Convention. Hon. C.C. Spaulding, the ex-president, is still active and anxious to see every Sunday-school in the State represented. At this time Prof. R. W. Brown is looking for your Sunday-school today. Dr. A. W. Pegues who has served you faithfully for many years and who has served in this Campaign Celebration as our Recording Secretary, has given many years of labor to have you do your part as a Sunday-school and as a man of war still holds the pen as Corresponding Secretary, and he should receive from each of us our sincere thanks for the many years of service that he has given to us in this work, and our prayers for his continued success in the work of Cor. Secretary of the State Sunday School Convention of North Carolina.

The B. Y. P. U. State Convention should not be forgotten or neglected, because we look upon this organization as the training department of our church. You will agree with me I am sure that trained workmen can do the best work. Therefore, without a B. Y. P. U. the young people of our respective communities may be seriously neglected. So let us go down from this convention with fresh courage to keep our B. Y. P. U. alive and to give during the entire year our support to Dr. J. B. Davis as President of the State B Y. P. U., and Miss Daisy Saunders as Cor. Secretary, our hearty support in their efforts to keep the State body alive, and to give our financial support as well.

Our Women's State Convention with Sister Pattie Shepard as its head and Sister M. A. Burwell as Cor. Secretary, has done quite a telling mission work in their District Missionary Conference with their State Missionary, Miss Capitola Wilson. They have held quite a number of conferences in various parts of the State, and the places where they have gone are now in full accord with their work in the State as never before. May I urge our pastors to visit and give encouragement to their sisters in their local circles thattheir work may go forward.

In the selection of our Compaign committee for our All-Baptist Celebration their Cor. Secretary, Miss M. A. Burwell was chosen one of our number to assist in the formulation of plans and to keep our work always before our field workers as well as local organizations.

THE UNION REFORMER

Brethren, the Union Reformer is ours, and in the hands of the present staff it has been the means of keeping our All-Baptist Celebration before the brotherhood of the State. And it has kept the interest alive and the workers in easy touch with each other. It is to be se-

riously regretted that so many of our homes do not have this paper to come to them. Yet we must express thanks to Rev. M. W. Williams and our field man, "Here and There," Rev. G. A. Mial, for their interest taken in the paper at a sacrifice; for we know they are not paid for their services, yet they have been able to give to us the paper weekly for the past year. The Subscription Campaign was a decided success and quite a number of homes that did not read our organ are now reading the paper with much satisfaction and joy, and many communities that were not touched by our group meetings are now in touch with our All-Baptist Celebration through the columns of this paper you have been brought here today. May I again urge every pastor to read our paper, and those who are not subscribers to become subscribers as they leave this meeting and pass the paper on to their membership. Also at least every B. Y. P. U. president and every Sunday School officer and teacher in the State, and make themselves busy agents for the same; that our people may have the needed information of the State work that they are entitled to as loyal Baptists.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION

Let us not forget our name, we are Missionary Baptists. I have called your attention already to our home field, but for emphasis I mention again our State work. This is our year that we celebrate our 66th Anniversary as organized workers. We set our goal for $500,000.00, Why should we fail to raise this amount? Let us forget all petty differences and go to work and raise this amount. Should we fail to get the entire amount in this meeting let us continue with the help of God and ere the conventional year close raise the amount.

Strenuous efforts have been made by our Campaign Committee with others helping them. With Dr. O. S. Bullock as Director-General that every Pastor, Supt., President of B. Y. P. U., President of Missionary Circle be reached, with a strong committee in every church that each may know their financial obligation and responsibility in the State.

Now if there is one Baptist Pastor that has not been touched, there are some reasons to believe it is because they do not want to be touched and do not want to act. Now since we are a part of one whole, let us fall in line today and not be a slacker but a worker in God's vineyard that this meeting here assembled may be the greatest ever held in any state of the American Union. Why not? Much work has been accomplished, but "There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed."

Because of the infinite need of men without Christ; because of the possibilities of men of every race and condition who take Christ as the leader of their lives; because of the command of our Lord which has required added force as a result of nineteen centuries of discovery, of opening doors, of experiences of the Christian church; because of the shameful neglect of the past; because of the impending crisis and the urgency of the situation in all parts of the non-Christian world; because of the opportunity for a great All-Baptist Celebration movement in the present; because of the danger of neglecting to enter upon a great onward movement; because of the constraining memories of the Cross of Christ and the love wherewith He loved us, it is the solemn duty of the Christians of this present generation to do their utmost to evangelize the world. Shall we give our religion to

others? God requires of us "Our money and our life." Therefore our Evangelistic Board should keep on the go with our leader, Rev. M. A. Dawson.

Now I feel that I will treat you with injustice to close my address without mentioning in a brief way our Foreign Mission work; since so many of our pastors are life members of our Lott Carey Foreign Convention; and the only president of said convention, Dr. C. S. Brown, for its history of about 30 years, is an active member of this Convention and our Cor. Secretary. We should congratulate ourselves for the part that we have held in this body since its organization. We take this method to thank our pastors for what they have done for our foreign missionaries, and ask that they renew their obligation to the work, remembering the command of our Savior, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every creature." Let us not be satisfied unless we do something on the foreign field as we move along at home.

IN CONCLUSION

I am sure you will agree with me that this year marks a peculiar beginning from a historical point of view. And it has been the busiest nine months that we have had in our history as Baptists in N. C. Our Evangelistic Board, Executive Board, Campaign Committee, the Official Staff of each of our State bodies, all have been kept busy indeed with Dr. O. S. Bullock as our Director-General, to have you here today. Many dark pictures came before us, but we kept goring on with prayer and courage, looking for success. Now permit me to thank each of you for your loyal support given to us during this conventional year.

It was my happy privilege to visit the places mentioned above and speak of our State work in our group meetings at each that it was my opportunity to visit with other members of our Campaign workers and local pastors and received a very warm welcome.

Now I close with the following recommendations:

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Special provision for aged ministers, and a better salary for Pastors.

2. The continued service of Dr. J. H. Moore, our Intellectual Secretary, and a letter of thanks be sent to our white Baptist brethren by the proper officer of this convention.

3. The $100,000.00 Endowment for Shaw University and definite plan for our Secondary Schools.

4. That we continue our headquarters at Raleigh, N. C.

5. That our next meeting be under one covering with all of our State bodies.

6. That we continue our State meeting at the same time and place with our other State bodies.

Respectfully submittfd.

Yours in the Master's cause,

J. S. BROWN.

Report of Committee on President's Address

GOLDSBORO, N. C.

The committee on President's Address heartily approve of this very comprehensive message.

We further recommend that the recommendations be endorsed except the 6th The committee on Plans will take this point under advisement.

Faithfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

Corresponding Secretary's Report

Mr. President and Brethren:

But little has transpired since the All Baptist Celebration in Raleigh August 1st to be reported, hence my report will deal only with the conventional work as I see it, with suggestions of ways and means to develop it in the future. For the past few years the office of Corresponding Secretary has been non-functional, as his main duties were largely transferred to the office of Financial Secretary. To say the least, this procedure was completely out of accord with Baptist polity, and therefore seriously objectionable. The simple procedure of Baptists in the prosecution of their work is the outgrowth of long years of experience, and can hardly be improved on or substituted by other untried methods attempted for the sake of novelty. It is high time we should "let well enough alone," and do some definite work.

The All-Baptist Celebration, a happy conception, for various reasons, did not culminate as satisfactory as our leaders expected it would. The boasted attendance could not be considered unusual in view of the fact that four state bodies convened there at the same time and place; and the net result of our effort was sorely disappointing to thousands of anxious Baptists throughout the state. In the first place, there was evidently a confused misunderstanding among the co-operating bodies as to the handling and final disposal of the finances collected; hence there has been considerable criticism throughout the State. The impression was generally made that all the funds raised by all the co-operating bodies would be finally pooled and distributed on a per centage basis for Shaw University, the secondary schools, State missions and foreign missions. This was not done, although we published to the world that we had raised during the drive twenty thousand dollars. This sort of procedure was misleading and created serious dissatisfaction The reasons for our failure to do as we promised may be quite clear to us who lead, but they will hardly satisfy the rank and file of our constituents. Therefore, as your secretary sees it, we have reached a very critical period in our denominational affairs, and it will take prayer, courage, unselfish consecration and good common sense to tide us over this unfortunate situation. I owe it to you to state the facts clearly and impassionately with no ulterior motive in view save only the welfare of our great Baptist work in North Carolina.

Now, in suggesting plans for the future of our work. I want it distinctly understood that I am seeking no personal honor, gain or office, nor am I doing this out of revenge or for malicious purposes. I hold you under no obligation to me, or to do what I may recommend. My one crave and desire is to see our Baptist work succeed.

Before stating in definite terms my suggestions as to plan of work, I beg to state that on solicitation I had a brief conference with the corresponding secretary of the white Baptist State Convention in Raleigh October 8th respecting our future co-operative work. I assured him of our gratitude for the help already extended us, and our deep regret of the severe loss that their Atlanta Board had sustained which necessitated a great curtailment of their home mission activities. The secretary expressed the great joy it had given them to aid us, and hoped that they might see their way clear to continue to help even in a more definite way. He asked me to appear before their convention in Raleigh in December and request their convention to continue their assistance. This I promised to do.

I shall now proceed to outline what experience has taught is the best plan for us as Baptists in convention assembled to adopt:

1. Let us return to our old and tried Baptist plan of work: let the active machinery be your president, your corresponding secretary, your convention treasurer, and your executive board. Choose men for these places whom you will honor, respect and follow. To make the machinery more complicated will disturb efficiency.

2. Retain headquarters in Raleigh under the supervision of your Corresponding Secretary, with an office force to do the detailed work, and ask the white Baptist Convention to donate to maintain the office to the end that an efficient organization can be built up; and ask further that the Rev. J. H. Moore be placed under the Corresponding Secretary to aid in organizing, and that he operate out from the Raleigh office.

3. Let us permit the churches and other contributing organizations to designate their funds for Shaw, the secondary schools, state missions and foreign missions, as they may desire, and then see to it that all funds are applied strictly as designated.

4. Let the Union Reformer—its name should be changed—be run jointly by the four State bodies, each contributing to its support as may be hereafter agreed upon. We must have a paper; we must support a paper. No one object is more badly needed.

5. Practical co-operation among our several State organizations does not seem feasible at present, because of the mistaken notion that they are independent and co-ordinate. Each seems determined to collect, spend their money, and plan their work with little or no regard for the parent convention. There should be but one dominant Baptist State Convention in North Carolina and all others should be regarded as auxiliaries. Our work will be disjointed until this fact is recognized. Let us therefore make the most of an unfortunate situation and seek advisory relations with them in the execution of Baptist work.

Finally, to make the plan more definite and clear, let us make appeals to our churches, associations, and other Baptist bodies in the state to make designated contributions generously, liberally and regularly to the following objects:

1. For State Missions, viz: The support of the central office, a Baptist paper and evangelistic effort.

2. For Shaw University: That an efficient leadership may be sustained.

3. For Secondary Schools, as feeders for Shaw University, and to afford rallying points for local Baptist interests.

4. For Foreign Missions: That those who represent us abroad may not lack support because of personal whims and differences here among us.

5. For the relief of Orphans, for this work should not be left entirely to the state to do.

I have now done my duty as your Corresponding Secretary. I have served you honestly and faithfully for much over forty years. I ask for retirement officially, that I may serve in the ranks, and thus remove any embarrassment that our great cause may appear to sustain because of my continual official relationship.

Report of George W. Moore, Treasurer 1928
Goldsboro, N. C.

Receipts deposited with Mechanics and Farmers Bank,
Raleigh, N. C.

August 4, 1928, Bank balance	$ 8.54
August 4, 1928, Deposited	2454.25
August 8, 1928, Deposited	165.90
August 8, 1928, Deposited	92.50
August 28, 1928, Deposited	36.00
August 28, 1928, Deposited	39.50
Total Deposits	$ 2796.69

DISBURSEMENTS

August 4, 1928, M. W. Williams, Union Reformer	$ 250.00
August 9, 1928, O. S. Bullock	2062.79
Return Ck. W. H. Knuckles	25.00
" Y. B. Williams	10.00
" J. J. Davis and others	51.50
" D. C. Gore	65.00
" E. O. Donoho	40.90
" J. A. Lewis	5.00
G. W. Moore, Treasurer	30.00
G. W. Moore, Treas., P. O. box rent	1.50
G. W. Moore, Treas., Service	30.00
Return Ck. W. L. Mason	26.00
"	10.00
Total transaction through Bank	$ 2637.69
October 30, 1928, Bank Balance	159.00
Total	$ 2796.69
Total Receipts, including money paid out and not deposited in Bank	3420.69
Total amount paid out, including vouchers paid by Finance Committee	3261.59
Balance on hand October 30, 1928	$ 159.00

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. MOORE, Treasurer.

Report of Committee on Union Reformer

We your committee on the Union Reformer beg leave to submit the following:

1. We recommend that the convention pay the printer $200 00 of the $1800.00 debt for past services and that the Executive Board which meets on the 9th of Nov. next arrange for payment of the other $1600.00.

2. We further recommend that each church send not less than $5.00 direct to the Union Reformer within thirty days and that the convention secretary notify each church.

3. We recommend that the Ex. Board reorganize the personnel of the Reformer.

4. We recommend that the convention endorse the present 5,000 new subscribers contest.

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REV. S. L. McDOWELL,
REV. B. K. MASON,
REV. O. S. BULLOCK,
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Treasurer's Report (Final)

To the Baptist State Convention held at the First Baptist Church, Fayetteville, N. C.

November 3rd, 1927, to July 30th, 1928

Brought forward		$ 12.65
Nov. 4, 1927, Receipts		2000.03
Total		$ 2012.68

DISBURSEMENTS

Nov. 3, 1927,	Union Reformer	$ 450.00
"	O. S. Bullock for minutes	222.53
"	T. W. Dwelle for Sexton	10.00
"	E. E. Smith for Loving Cups	40.00
"	C. S. Brown, Cor. Sec., traveling and office exp.	134.00
"	President J. S. Brown's expenses	48.00
"	H. I. Quick, traveling expenses	10.00
"	W. H. Moore, Rec. Sec'y	75.00
"	J. D. McRae for Fin. Com.	20.00
"	Dr. L. G. Gordon	15.00
"	P. M. Beverly, Reporter	15.00
"	J. A. Lewis	8.50
"	R. H. Harris	7.00
"	S. L. Parham	6.50
"	L. W. Wertz	9.10
"	J. T. Harriston	4.50
"	P. R. D. Gore for service	9.50
"	G. M. James for Asst. Sec'y	35.00
"	J. F. Davis, expense to Board meeting	11.00
"	A. A. Smith, expense to Board meeting	12.00
"	E. E. Smith, from Fin. Com.	50.00
"	Geo. W. Moore for service	50.00
"	Post Office box rent for the year	4.50
"	A. W. Pegues for Shaw University	700.00
Check Returned		5.00
"		9.50
"		5.00

To Treasurer	15.00
To J. L. S. Holloman	15.00
Total	$ 1956.63
Balance	$ 56.05

Auditor's Report

Mr. President—Performing the duty assigned me, I have audited the Treasurer's report and find it correct.

J. W. HAIRSTON.

Report on Secondary Schools

Your committee on Secondary Schools beg to recommend the appointment of a committee consisting of Dean Turner, Prof. Tilley, Dr. J. H. Moore. and that the said committee be requested to make a survey of such secondary schools as may be willing to meet the necessary requirements, and recommend the said school for the consideration of this convention.

E. E. SMITH,
J. T. KERR,
W. H. KNUCKLES,
J. T. HAIRSTON,
C. C. SPAULDING,
Committee

Report Committee on Place of Next Meeting

The committee recommends that the next session of the convention be held with the Friendship Baptist, Charlotte, N. C., Tuesday before the first Sunday in November 1929.